Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar: There have been such cases; but I cannot give the exact number now.

Overloading in motor buses.

69. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there are any instances of overloading in motor buses and motor boats; and

(*b*) whether the officers appointed to look into the matter pay due attention to it?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

Copyists in the Revenue Department.

70. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether a few copyists in the Revenue Department were given other appointments taking into consideration their service as copyists;

(*b*) whether the men who are only piece-workers are compelled to do other works also in most of the Taluk Offices; and

(*c*) whether the case of these persons are ignored in the Public Service G. O.?

Mr. K. George: (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Yes.

Transfer of Police Officers from Shertallai.

71. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether many policemen were transferred from Shertallai as a result of the scandal connected with the case regarding counterfeit coins in that place?

Mr. R. Pitchu Aiyangar: No.

The Sri Chitra Readers.

72. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the *Sri Chitra Patavati* has been prescribed as a text-book for the first class from the beginning of this academic year;

(*b*) whether the price of that book has been printed therein;

(*c*) whether the authorities have instructed that in the taluks of Quilon and Kottarakara only the old "First Readers" should be used; and

(*d*) whether there are any special reasons for making an exception in the case of these two taluks alone?

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